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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL:
(Thru: Secretary of Defense)
Subject: Appointment of an Intelligence Advisory Committee

1. Reference is made to your memorandum, same subject, dated 10 October 1947.
2. While I agree that it is desirable to create a committee to succeed the Intelligence Advisory Board, it does not appear to me that such is accomplished by the Intelligence Advisory Committee which the Director of Central Intelligence proposes to appoint under section 303 (a) of Public Law 253.
3. The Intelligence Advisory Board was responsible to the National Intelligence Authority. The Director of Central Intelligence was required (paragraph 3, N.I.A. Directive No. 1) to refer all recommendations to the Board prior to his submission of them to the Authority. The Board therefore performed two very important functions: (1) it furnished advice to the Director of Central Intelligence and (2) it insured the full interdepartmental coordination of all matters before they were submitted to the National Intelligence Authority.
4. I therefore recommend that the Director of Central Intelligence draft a charter which will provide for a committee as successor to the Intelligence Advisory Board which will perform for the National Security Council those functions which the Intelligence Advisory Board performed for the National Intelligence Authority.

/s/ Kenneth C. Royall
Secretary of the Army

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